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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND
RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 21, 2005, in connection with the above-identified application, the time for responding having been extended to April 21, 2006, by the accompanying fee and petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following amendments and remarks:

The **Claims** begin at **page 2** of this paper.

The **Remarks** begin at **page 4** of this paper.